4-koma special: Austen's Christmas

sniff
ES & FABLES

AUSTEN, SWEETHEART, IT'S VERY OLD SO BE CAREFUL WITH IT OKAY?
OKAY DAIDI.
taste it carefully~
AUSTEN, NO!

IT FEELS WEIRD!
IT SMELLS FUNNY!
THIS IS THE BEST CHRISTMAS PRESENT EVER!
THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!
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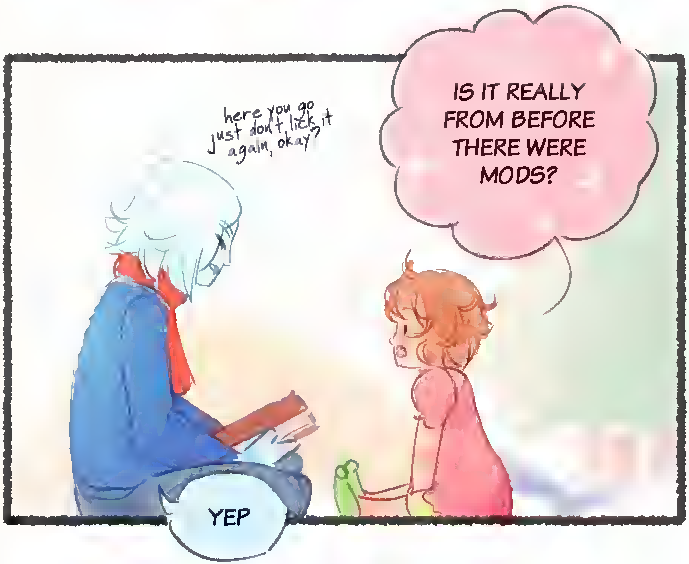

IS IT REALLY FROM BEFORE THERE WERE MODS?
here you go just don't lick it again, okay?
YEP

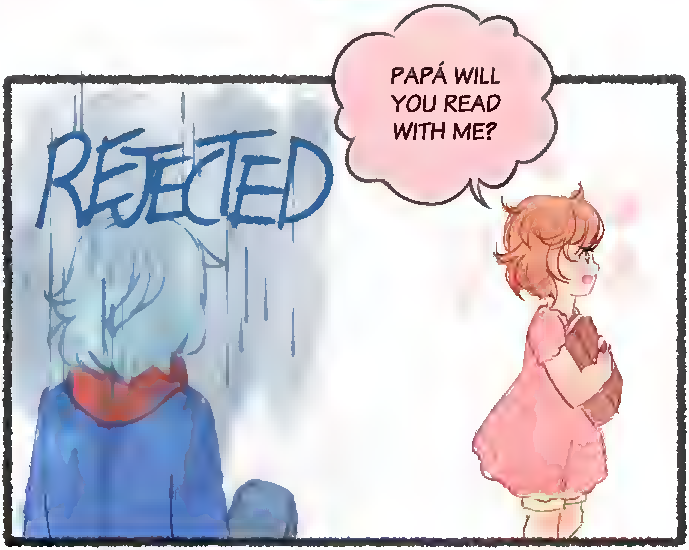
SOOOO
COOOOOL!

SO SHALL WE READ ONE OF THE STORIES TOGETHER?
SILLY DAIDI YOU DON'T GET IT
THAT'S NOT THE POINT.

I don't get it?
SO WHAT'S THE POINT OF BOOKS THEN?

hmmm

aha!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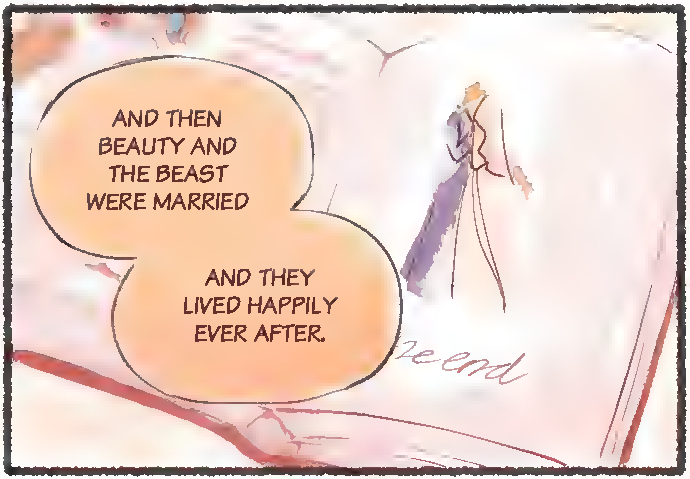
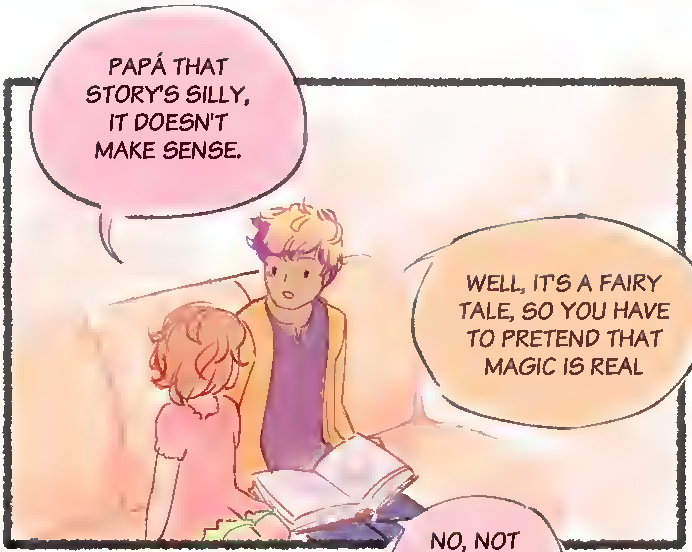
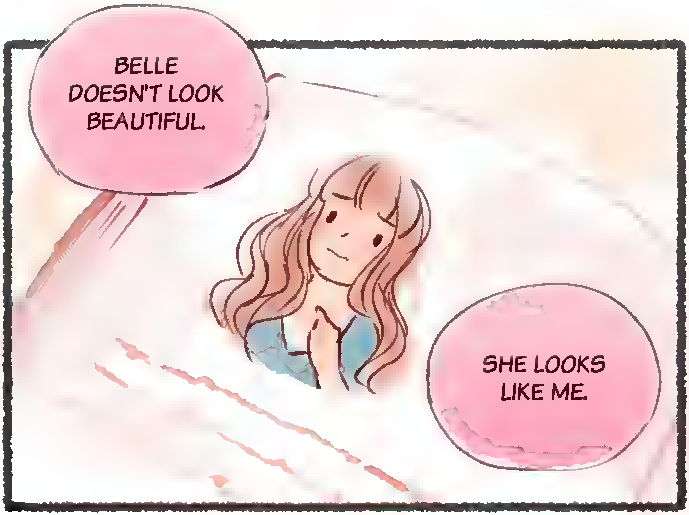
PAPÁ WILL YOU READ WITH ME?


AND THEN BEAUTY AND THE BEAST WERE MARRIED
AND THEY LIVED HAPPILY EVER AFTER.
The end

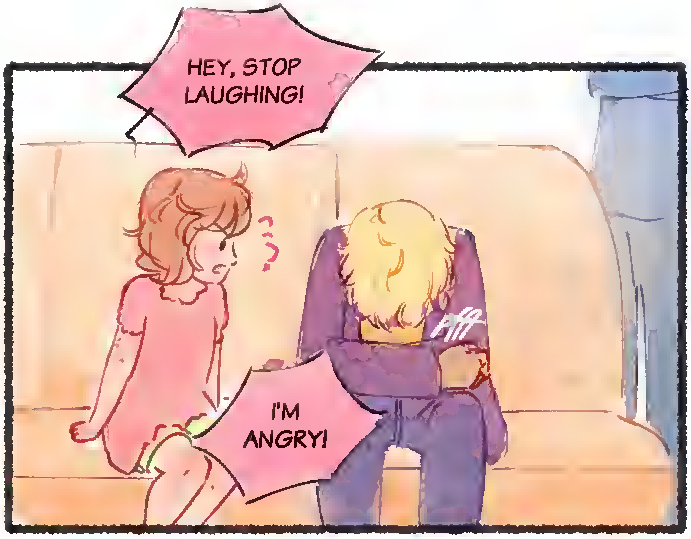

PAPÁ THAT STORY'S SILLY, IT DOESN'T MAKE SENSE.
WELL, IT'S A FAIRY TALE, SO YOU HAVE TO PRETEND THAT MAGIC IS REAL
NO, NOT THAT
though that's silly too

WHY DID EVERYONE CALL HER BEAUTY?


BELLE DOESN'T LOOK BEAUTIFUL.
SHE LOOKS LIKE ME.

WELL, AUSTEN-
DID YOU CHOOSE THAT

STORY ON PURPOSE?
IS THIS EVEN A REAL BOOK?
I BET DAIDI DID SOMETHING SNEAKY TO IT
oooh he's clever
THIS MUST'VE ALL BEEN A TRICK TO BOOST MY SELF-CONTINENCE.
pfft


HEY, STOP LAUGHING!
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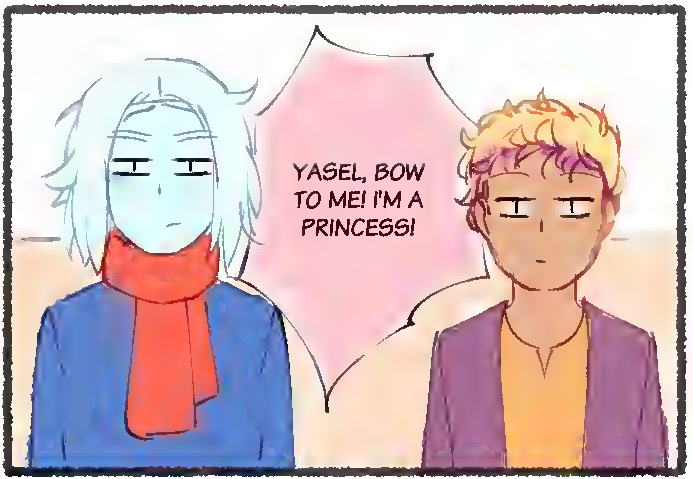
I'M ANGRY!
HM

SWEETHEART, I PROMISE, THE BOOK IS AUTHENTIC.
I WOULDN'T BE SNEAKY ON CHRISTMAS, THAT WOULDN'T BE FAIR.
WHACK
THE PEOPLE WHO MADE THIS BOOK

DEFINITELY THOUGHT THAT BELLE WAS BEAUTIFUL.
REALLY?
YEP, REALLY.
AT DIFFERENT TIMES AND IN DIFFEREN PLACES PEOPLE HAVE HAD VERY DIFFERENT IDEAS ABOUT BEAUTY
HERE, LET ME SHOW YOU BOTTICELLI'S V-
YOU SURE YOU'RE NOT BEING SNEAKY?
SUSPICIOUS
I'M SURE I'M NOT BEING SNEAKY.

hmmm
OKAY, I'VE DECIDED!
I'M GOING TO GROW MY HAIR LONG AND WEAR PRETTY DRESSES AND FLOWERS AND BE A PRINCESS.

princess princess
when I grow up I'm gonna
be a princess
awwww
how cute!


YASEL, BOW
TO ME! I'M A
PRINCESS!

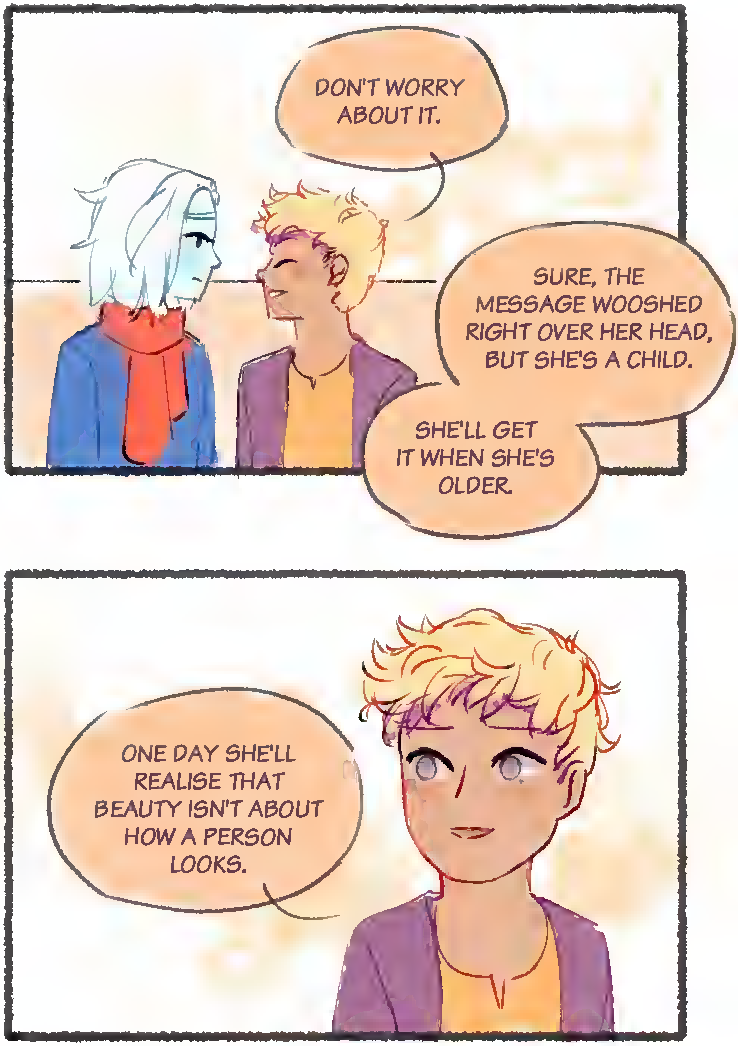
I THOUGHT YOU WANTED TO BE A SCIENTIST.
I DO! I'M GOING TO BE BOTH!
A PRINCESS SCIENTIST!

BOW TO ME!
NO!
THEN I TAKE BACK THE CAKE I BAKED FOR YOU.
THEN I TAKE BACK THE BOTLING I GOT FOR YOU!
YOU CAN'T DO THAT, DAIDI PAID FOR IT, NOT YOU.
I CAN TOO! I PICKED IT OUT, IT'S MY PRESENT.

WELL, THEY'RE BRIMMING WITH PEACE AND GOODWILL.

there there

YOU KNOW. WHEN WE WERE LOOKING FOR PRESENTS I THOUGHT THIS WOULD BE PERFECT
AUSTEN LOVES OLD STUFF AND I WAS SURE THE STORY WOULD BOOST HER CONFIDENCE.
BOOOOW TOOOOOOO MEEEEEE
THIS ISN'T WHAT I HAD IN MIND.


DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT.
SURE, THE MESSAGE WOOSHED RIGHT OVER HER HEAD, BUT SHE'S A CHILD.
SHE'LL GET IT WHEN SHE'S OLDER.
ONE DAY SHE'LL REALISE THAT BEAUTY ISN'T ABOUT HOW A PERSON LOOKS.

ONE DAY SHE'LL REALISE THAT THERE ARE PEOPLE WHO WILL LOVE HER FOR EVERYTHING SHE IS.
YEAH, YOU'RE RIGHT.
ONE DAY.
RIGHT NOW, THOUGH, WE SHOULD STOP OUR CHILDREN FROM MURDERING EACH OTHER.
OH ALRIGHT, IF YOU INSIST.

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